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The news telegraphed by our Kobe correspondent yesterday morning is the most serious which has yet been announced since relations between Japan and Russia assumed their present strained aspect. All, of course, depends on the "good authority" mentioned by our correspondent. If it is sufficient to guarantee the validity of the report of Russia's memorandum to Japan and of the Japanese Foreign Minister's answer thereto, then it is useless to disguise the fact that prospects are very threatening.

It has been rumoured from several sources, including the *Times* Peking correspondent, that Japan proposed to Russia some sort of a deal whereby Russia's position in Manchuria should be compensated by a like Japanese supremacy in Corea. The details of this arrangement were variously filled in by some of the correspondents. There was, however, no official confirmation, either Japanese or Russian, of such a report—as, indeed, was only to be expected. All that was known for certain, therefore, was that Russo-Japanese negotiations were proceeding at St. Petersburg. On the 23rd of last month Baron Rosen left Nagasaki for Port Arthur, his departure causing much speculation in the Japanese Press. The *Japan Mail* of the 25th ultimo, noting this, remarks that it does not appear to occur to the vernacular papers that Viceroy ALEXIEFF was on the point of holding at Port Arthur a council of all the principal officers and officials within his command, and that he might very reasonably have desired the assistance of Baron Rosen's advice.

But while making this suggestion, the *Mail* does not wish to minimise the importance of Baron Rosen's visit to Port Arthur, "for not only is his very exceptional knowledge of

Far Eastern affairs in general, and of Japan in particular, but also his liberal and moderate views can not fail to produce a salutary influence on the personages unseated at Port Arthur."

If now our Kobe correspondent's authority is correct (and his judgment is one which may be relied on), Baron Rosen, for all his moderation, has been obliged to be the means of presenting to Japan a document which that country does not find satisfactory. If Baron KOMURA, Japanese Minister of Foreign Affairs, has actually stated that "there is no room for further negotiations," this is tantamount to a declaration of war. Yet only nine days ago the Tokyo correspondent of the *North-China Daily News* telegraphed to the Shanghai paper, stating that much surprise had been caused in Japan in consequence of the rumours circulated in Europe concerning warlike preparations or war-fever in Japan; and that the situation did not inspire any new anxiety. Of course it is possible for the situation to change very rapidly in the lapse of a few days. Nevertheless, after the frequent reiterations of Japan's calm attitude (and there is no doubt that it was perfectly correct and diplomatic), it is surprising to read now so strongly provocative a declaration from the most responsible Minister, if Baron KOMURA has indeed made the reply attributed to him. The fact of the report being made now, or may not be taken as evidence of its truth. The 8th October being the original date fixed for the Russian withdrawal from Manchuria, it was popularly and naturally rumoured that Japan had given Russia up to that day to reply to her demands with regard to Manchuria. Yesterday was the 8th October, and Russia's alleged reply was announced. This might be an example of "the intelligent anticipation of events" of which we hear so much nowadays. So we are brought back once more to the question of the goodness of the authority responsible for the report which our Kobe representative has telegraphed. One thing is certain, that if the tale of Russia's memorandum and Japan's reply is true, then we are on the brink of a war which, as we wrote yesterday, must be terrible and far-reaching in its results.

Under the auspices of the Ladies' Benevolent Society, a promenade concert will be held on the Volunteer Parade Ground, on Saturday, the 17th inst.

An excellent entertainment is promised by the Victoria Variety Club in their concert, which will be held to-morrow, in St. Patrick's Hall. Special features are "Tip-topom Variety Circle"—who are credited with the latest jokes, songs, etc.—"Conto," the juggler, and a sketch, "Bravo the Turn," or, "My Wife Won't Let Me—One of Mark Melford's.

Not only is Canton going to send down a four to row at the Hongkong Regatta, but the local Boat Club is also sending up a crew to Canton. The latter event will be earlier in point of time. Canton's rowing talent has not been prominent of late, but there appears now to be a genuine revival, a fact which is welcome news to Hongkong, for it adds another element of competition in boating circles.

Eleven years ago to-morrow the P. & O. S.S. *Bokhara* was wrecked off the Pescadores with a loss of 125 lives. Only 23 persons escaped, among them being D. J. A. Lowson, of the Government Civil Hospital, and a member of the Hongkong Cricket team which had been visiting Shanghai. The Norwegian steamer *Normand* was wrecked on the previous day (that is to say, eleven years ago to-day), all but two on board perishing.

By kind permission of Major Radloff and others, the Band of the 33rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music at the King Edward Hotel, during dinner to day (weather permitting):—

March....."Carillon et Tambour".....Rosenstein

Ent'acte....."La Lettre de Manon".....Gillette

Selection....."The Thirty Thieves".....Ed. Jones

Song....."Liebeslied".....Caroly Kay

Selection....."Reminiscences of Wales".....Goder

Character Piece....."A Dervish Chorus".....Lebek

"God Save the King."

The London *Daily Chronicle* writes:—"Sir Henry Blake will find a much wider scope in Ceylon than he had in the restricted island of Hongkong, both for his personal proclivity for travelling about, and his commendable spirit at all times to experiment with new forms of enterprise in connection with the planting industry. It was Sir Henry who opened the eyes of the Bahamian people to the possibility of doing something with the sisal plant, which before his time at Nassau was regarded as a pest, and treated accordingly. In similar ways he did great service to Jamaica, but in Hongkong his hands were tied for want of space for experiments. Still, his long-headed policy in the Far East has helped us to draw in a large extension of territory on the Kowloon side, and the 300 square miles thus acquired may yet become a rich plantation territory under British enterprise. Sir Henry leaves £5,000 a year and £200 table money in the yellow colony for an honorarium of 80,000 rupees in Colombo, and he will have to go in for some fluctuating calculations to see whether his change of venue will put him out of pocket or not." But why "fluctuating calculations" when the rupee is fixed?

The U.S. gunboat *Callao* arrived from Macao on Wednesday evening.

Mr. J. Proctor, an English foreman in the employ of the Siamese Royal Railways Department, died in hospital at Bangkok, on the 23rd ult.

An official intimation was sent to the Banks at Bangkok on the 25th ult., that the Treasury selling rate for ticals, until further notice, is 17 to the pound sterling.

On the 3rd inst. a medal was to be issued in Siam to those of royal rank and to officials. It was struck in commemoration of the fact that H.M. the King of Siam has reigned 35 years, two as long as his predecessor.

In the action brought by Messrs. Sawsoon & Co., of Kobe, against Cho Ju-ki, a Chinese, formerly the comprador of the plaintiff firm, for the recovery of 50,114.89 yen, judgment has been given for the sum claimed in full, with costs.

An American, by name H. B. Campbell, and some Chinese printers have been arrested at Yokohama for being concerned in the circulation of anonymous "expresses" of a scurrilous character in the former Settlement in Yokohama.

Mr. Reginald Tower, recently British Minister at Bangkok, but now holding a similar post at Munich and Stuttgart, has been appointed Secretary to the Alas Boundary Commission, which commenced its sittings at the Foreign Offices in London last month.

The New York *World* publishes the following:—A mysterious plague which has broken out among the iron-miners of Daigiri has spread widely in Cuba. It resembles bubonic plague, but is swifter and more deadly. The bodies of the victims are yellowish than is the case in yellow fever. Eminent bacteriologists are engaged in studying blood samples in which malarial germs are generally found. Some are of opinion that the disease is only a malignant type of malarial fever.

The Emperor Francis Joseph is the most beloved monarch in the world. Without his Imperial crown (which is the identical tiara of Charlemagne) the Emperor is nine times a King, twice a Grand Duke, once a Grand Prince, twice a Prince, four times a Margrave, and the multitude of his titles as Count and so forth is past enumeration. The total of his titles of sovereignty and nobility exceeds a hundred. In addition as King of Hungary he bears the title of "Most Apostolic," which is one of the four honours bestowed by the Pope.

In mentioning that the old ironclad *Irreversible*, which took such a prominent part in the bombardment of the Alexandria fort, is to be sold out of the Navy, a home paper recalls the fact that it was on board the *Irreversible* that the late Commander-augustus Youngusband, then a lieutenant, when one of the 8-ton guns stopped firing owing to the choking of the vent, had himself rammed into the gun right up to the powder chamber, where he cleared the vent with his fingers, and then, after being nearly suffocated by the powder gases, was hauled out bodily by a rope tied to his feet.

The Japanese paper *Nichi Nichi* correspondent at Peking says that when the preliminary arrangements for constructing the Trans-Asian line were made, Count Cassini engaged that, on the completion of the road, Russia would hand over a sum of five millions of taels to the Chinese Court. The line being completed, China has been pressing for payment, but Russia hesitates, and shows a disposition to make the carrying out of this agreement conditional upon China's acceptance of the latest series of Manchurian demands—whatever they may be.

The North Siamese correspondent of the Bangkok Times says:—"The country is all quiet again, so far as the Shans are concerned, except in the districts near the 25-kilometre zone.

Not until this zone disappears as a favoured strip of territory, will it cease to be a refuge for dacoits and evil doers of all descriptions."

All kinds of rumours are abroad concerning large bands of Shans gathering in Chiang Kauang on both sides of the river, but it seems impossible to find out the truth. As it is now, criminals from British, French and Siamese territory all find this untroubled zone a very comfortable home; from where, as headquarters, they can make a rash attack on any one of a large number of villages across the British border, or on any village across the Kawng in French territory, or better still on the hilly villages near the zone in Siam.

The Japan Mail of the 25th ult. thus describes the latest phase of the Young-ampho affair. Lin, or some other leader of freebooters, having taken up his headquarters at Young ampho, whence he threatened the property of the Lumber Company, M. Pavloff applied to the Corean Government to protect his nationals. The Corean Government replied that as no agreement had been concluded sanctioning the presence of Russian subjects at Young ampho, they could not recognise any responsibility for the protection of the latter, since any one settling in Corea outside treaty limits must do so at his own risk. M. Pavloff's report was obvious. He adduced the timber-felling concession as binding the Corean Government to protect Russian subjects engaged in that enterprise, and he pointed out that if such protection were withheld, it must be on the assumption that Russia would take steps to provide herself by sending troops to the threatened district. Of course if Russia adopt any such measure the situation will be very much complicated, the Mail says, for assuredly Japan will not look on quietly while the initial steps are taken for a Russian military occupation of the Yen Valley.

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The Shanghai Free Press expired on the 1st inst.

Mr. A. Richter, who was charged with infringing of the Fortification Regulations, was sentenced to a fine of 25 yen in the criminal section of the Yokohama District Court on the 22nd ult.

Captain R. P. Hobson, hero of the *Merrimac* exploit and victim of the American paragrapher, is stated to be engaged to Miss Ruth Bryan, daughter of William Jennings Bryan, the Democratic "orator." Captain Hobson, it will be remembered, was a temporary resident in this Colony a few years ago.

Among those who are mentioned as possible challengers for the America Cup is one whose name is not unknown in China and Japan, which he has visited occasionally on holidays. This is Mr. "Jack" Wan, of Sydney, who is now on his way to England. Mr. Wan, who is a K.C. and a prominent Member of the Upper House in New South Wales, formerly Attorney-General, in one of the keenest yachtsmen ever produced in Sydney Harbour, and is one who might easily be tempted to try and retrieve the Cup some day. He is one of the most popular and thorough sportsmen in Australia.

The mystery concerning *Shamrock III*'s good form in her trials compared with her display in the Cup contests has been cleared up, and now, says a New York despatch of the 17th ult., the wonder is expressed that she performed as well as she did in the past fortnight! Sir Thomas Lipton explains that the fault was due to a mistake of Mr. Fife, the designer, who sailed her during the trials on the 92-foot water-line required by the American Cup conditions. It was necessary to absolutely strip *Shamrock* of everything possible, including much lead ballast. This took the yacht off her true sailing line, and killed from the outset all hope of ever competing successfully with *Reliance*. That such a blunder could have been made is inexplicable to American experts—and to others, we should think.

## PROPOSED CHURCH FOR KOWLOON.

A meeting of Kowloon residents, convened by the Bishop of Victoria, was held last evening at the Seamen's Institute to discuss a proposal to erect a church for English-speaking residents in the Kowloon district. The Bishop, who presided over an attendance of about twenty-five ladies and gentlemen, announced that a gentleman, whose name he was not yet at liberty to mention, had offered a sum of \$35,000 to erect a church in Kowloon, and a request had been made to the Government to grant for this purpose a site which had already been selected.

Pending the receipt of an answer a plan was being formulated for the due security of the Church property and the government of the Church should it be, as they hoped, erected, and his lordship said that although the matter was not quite ripe for discussion he had thought it desirable to call a meeting of Kowloon residents, for the purpose of formally acquainting them with what was taking place. The Bishop read a draft of the constitution which had been prepared for consideration and invited suggestions or criticisms of the proposals contained therein.

It is contemplated that the church shall have a chaplain specially appointed to it, but it is also hoped that the Naval chaplain will, as heretofore, voluntarily assist in the Church work of the district. In consideration of a grant by the Cathedral Church body in aid of the stipend of the chaplain of the new church it is expected that he will assist occasionally in the services of the Cathedral and in the duties of chaplain at the geol and hospital. It is proposed to call the church St. James's.

The Rev. F. T. Johnson, chaplain of the Cathedral, cordially welcomed the scheme.

No suggestions being forthcoming at the meeting, his lordship invited written suggestions or criticisms of the scheme, if possible, before Monday next, when it will be taken into consideration.

## REMARKABLE MEETING AND IDENTIFICATION.

Quite a long time ago—the exact date is 24th January—a daring highway robbery, of which Mr. G. Shefield was the victim, took place on K-Nandy Road in broad daylight. It will be remembered that while Mrs. Shefield and her son, aged 10 years, were cycling along, the former in turning head of the narrow road ran into five men who in a line blocked the way. These ruffians threw the lady to the ground on her face, and tried to steal her rings and bracelet. They succeeded in securing a old watch and the biggest part of a chain, which broke during the struggle. Something frightened the thieves before they could force the rings from Mrs. Shefield's fingers, and they decamped. Several men were arrested by the police, but unfortunately they could not be identified.

However, crime will out, and as Mrs. Shefield was entering the small court at the Magistracy on Wednesday, to protest against her servant for not obeying orders, she recognised one of the coolies who were before His Worship on the charge of the assault and riot at West Point as one of the men concerned in the highway robbery. Later on the lady picked out the man from a number of others, and he will be proceeded against. It is to be hoped that if the identification is correct, the other members of the gang may be got at through the man in custody. Mrs. Shefield is to be complimented on her excellent memory.

## TELEGRAMS.

## "DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

## [FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.]

## JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

## KODE, 8th October, 11.55 a.m.

## RUSSIA'S REPLY TO JAPAN.—GRAVE SITUATION.

There is good authority for saying that Baron Rosen has presented a Memorandum to Japan, in which Russia practically declines to withdraw from Manchuria; but she would agree to recognise Japan's paramount influence in Corea and to respect Japan's prestige and interests in Manchuria.

Baron Komura has replied that, in such a case there is no room for further negotiations.

At a public Banquet in his honour Sir

## CANTON.

## [FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

Canton, 7th October.

## THE MOON FEAST.

On Monday the Mid-Autumn Festival was celebrated, and the day was a holiday for all classes in Canton. This festival is also called the Moon Feast, and there is a pretty story in connection with it. More than 400 years ago there dwelt in the realms of Yao and Hoo, whose skill with the bow earned him the name of the Archer Lord. This great chief was married to a lady called Ch'ing Ngo, who seems to have been of an inquisitive disposition. Her husband, among other accomplishments, excelled in the art of making oaks which possessed the peculiar property of conferring immortality on all who ate of them. As he presumably did not feel quite capable of sharing more than a mortal life with Ch'ing Ngo, he kept these oaks hidden. One day, however, when he was absent, she discovered their hiding-place. As she was in the act of eating one, she heard the footsteps of her returning husband; who, in fact, caught her in the act. She fled, pursued by her irate lord. Unable to escape in any other way, she finally decided to fly to the moon, and there she at length found safety, although Hoo I let fly his bolts after her.

The Cantonese assemble on their roofs and on the walls to worship the moon, and eat punabos, boiled tar

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## CHAIR AND RICKSHA COOLIES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 7th October.

Sir.—A few days ago you had an article in your paper on the subject of ricksha-coolies and chair-coolies. I therefore venture to write to you hoping you will give your powerful support to suppress a nuisance—I may say, to some Europeans of a somewhat irritable temperament, a quite intolerable nuisance. I allude to the fact of every other chair or ricksha-coolie one passes in the street soliciting your custom—and this in no quiet fashion, but "Hi, John, Hi Captain; ricksha, chair!" shouted at the top of their voices. I had just come from the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and walked to the Hongkong Dispensary; during that time I should think I was bawled at quite 100 times—mark you, this was done simply *as an impertinence*, the men well knowing they were not required. One man almost followed me into Watson's, and on my calling the attention of the English gentlemen there who served me, he remarked things were managed very differently in Shanghai, and that such a state of things there would not be tolerated for an instant. I wonder where else it would be.

A Bath-chair in England is the nearest approach we have to a ricksha. I wonder how long people in England would stand a chorus of shouts and yells from all Bath-chair men on a stand and the being followed in your walk by some half-dozen?

I have known Chins off and on for close on thirty years, and I am always most careful to treat shop-keepers, servants, etc., with civility and courtesy—I never chaff them, and never wish to do so. It is not too much, surely, to think that a humble subject of the King, who has passed the half-century, might be allowed to walk down the main street of an English colonial town without being howled and shrieked at like a mad dog.—Yours, etc.

ENGLISHMAN.

## NOTES FROM THE BOTANIC GARDENS.

A very useful shrub which is just beginning to flower is *Bartsia Cristata*, a native of the East Indies. It was introduced into cultivation in England more than a hundred years ago. It makes a nice bush in Hongkong, growing to a height of 4 or 5 ft. There are several varieties, and four of these may be found in the gardens. The flowers of the type are mauve in colour, and one variety has pure white flowers. A third is intermediate, having variegated white and mauve flowers; a fourth variety, as well as the variegated form, originated in the gardens, and is a pleasing shade of pink in colour. All the varieties are growing in the shrubbery just above the lower entrance to the new garden, in Albany Road, but some of them are not in flower yet. The flowers are funnel-shaped, and are produced freely at the ends of the branches, but they do not last long in perfection.

There are many good things amongst the Ipoemous and *Ipomoea Horsfalliae* in certain of them. A fine plant is growing at the east end of the rose-bed terrace in the old garden, trained on a wire fence. A smaller specimen may be seen at the west end of the rose-bed in the new garden trained in a similar manner. The flowers are purplish-red, campanulate in shape, 1½ to 2 inches long, with the limb slightly reflexed. The plant is figured in the *Botanical Magazine* for 1833, where Sir William Hooker states it was introduced from seeds received by a Mr. Chas. Horsfall, either from Africa or from the East Indies. Dr. Maxwell L. Masters, F. R. S., in the *Gardener's Chronicle* for 1885 challenges this remark, and further states he had positive evidence in the shape of wild specimens from Mr. J. H. Hart, Superintendent of the Botanic Gardens, Jamaica that the plant was a native of that island. In the *Index Kewensis* published in 1893, the habitat of the plant is given as the East Indies, while in the list of *Tender Dicotyledons*, published by the Royal Gardens, Kew, in 1890, it is said to be a native of the West Indies. Anyway it is a plant well worth growing. The original specimen in the gardens was received in a wooden case from the Botanic Gardens, Mauritius, some years ago.

*Antigonon leptopus*, a native of South America, and belonging to the buck-wheat family, is another showy creeper at this time of the year. The plant should be grown in the sun and given plenty of room, and when this is the case the flowers are produced in great numbers. The long trailing masses of pink flowers, when cut, are very suitable for arranging in vases. There are two plants at the east end of the lower terrace in the old garden, and several others growing on a fence above the plant houses.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:

The barometer has risen over N. China, fallen over Japan and the Foothills.

The Manchurian depression has reached NE. Japan and another low area seems to be lying near SW. Japan.

Pressure is a high over N. China and relatively low over the N. part of the China Sea, where a low pressure trough probably exists.

Strong NE. monsoon is setting down the China coast.—NE. winds; freshening; equally rain.

## HONGKONG SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday afternoon in the Board Room. Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson, Principal Civil Medical Officer (President), presided, and there were also present Hon. W. Chatham, Director of Public Works (Vice-President); Mr. G. McIl. Messer, Acting Registrar-General; Colonel W. E. Webb, R.A.M.C., Captain F. W. Lyons, Acting C.S.P.; Mr. Fung Wa Chun, Mr. Lau Chu Pak, K.C.; Mr. A. R. Rumball, Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C.; Mr. E. A. Hewett; Dr. Pearce, Acting Medical Officer of Health; Dr. Barnett, Assistant Medical Officer of Health; and Mr. G. A. Woodcock (Secretary).

## PREVENTION OF PLAGUE NEXT YEAR.

There appeared on the agenda, as to be considered confidentially, a minute by the M.O.H. relative to the question of what preventative measures are to be undertaken during the coming winter against plague next year.

Mr. Fung Wa Chun moved the suspension of the Standing Orders to allow him to move a certain alteration of the agenda.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

Mr. Fung Wa Chun moved that the item mentioned above be considered in public; it had been customary in previous years to consider this matter in public, and the principle ought to be adhered to.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

The President said that he had no objection to this being done. The only thing he wished to say was that this involved a considerable amount of expenditure and matters of that kind were generally considered in private.

The motion was agreed to.

At a later stage.

The President said he thought they were all agreed that some cleansing measures must be taken in the winter to combat this disease.

The question was whether the Board should recommend the Government that its own officers should undertake the work of cleansing as in 1901 and 1902, or whether the Board should allow the Chinese to do it themselves as they had done last winter.

Last winter was exceptional as there was a greater dearth of water than one generally met with.

That might account for the cleansing not having been so effective as in the previous winter.

In neither 1895 nor 1897 which were mild years was there any general cleansing.

He thought overgrowing

was a more important factor than cleansing.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak moved that cleansing be carried out by the people themselves under the supervision of the officers of the Board. They should educate the Chinese to do something for themselves.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak expressed himself as in accordance with Mr. Pollock's views.

Mr. Hewett trusted that the experiment carried out by the Governor in the Western District would be extended to the whole of the town.

Mr. Fung Wa Chun expressed the belief that the Chinese would respond to the call of the Board if they were called upon to cleanse their houses. The best step to take was to enlist their co-operation.

Mr. Rumball seconded the motion, and it was agreed to.

On the motion of the President, the following committee was appointed to arrange for the work of cleansing to be carried out, district by district.—Messrs. Lau Chu Pak, and Fung Wa Chun, Dr. Pearce and Mr. Hewett.

A PUBLIC NUISANCE IN QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.

With reference to a question put by Hon. H. E. Pollock relating to an objectionable public convenience in Queen's Road East in front of No. 3 Police Station,

Mr. Lau Chu Pak asked if this bascillus affected rats only?

The President replied that it did not affect either men, or domestic animals.

Mr. Hewett asked if there would not be a nuisance caused by dead rats lying about?

The President replied that any nuisance of that kind would be slight; the dead carcasses would soon dry up.

The Vice-President seconded. This concession, he said, was as great as could possibly be made in the matter. If they conceded so much the people ought to meet them and render a better action unnecessary.

The motion was agreed to.

THE DEPOSITING OF RUBRISH DURING STORMY WEATHER.

Further correspondence was submitted relative to suggested sites for the depositing of rubbish, etc., during stormy weather.

The D.P.W. intimated that, as he had already stated, he was not aware of any available suitable site in the Western District of the City, with the exception of the recently reclaimed areas west of Cadogan Street, Kennedytown. In Kowloon he would suggest sites on the reclaimed areas a little to the south of the Police Station at Yau Ma Tei and to the west of Gillies Avenue at Hung Hom; both of these would be of a purely temporary nature.

Mr. E. A. Hewett:—"A site at the western end of the town is to my mind impulsive, and if the Government have no such site available one should be purchased or reclaimed."

The President moved that the Government be recommended to authorise the use of these areas of land, as defined, for this purpose.

Hon. Mr. Pollock seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

AN APPLICATION.

There was laid on the table further correspondence relative to the application for permission to erect a trough close on Inland Lot No. 163.

Mr. Hewett submitted that it was imperative there be a sufficient, continuous flow of water to keep the pipes of this proposed trough absolutely clear from the low down to the sea, and as there was not a sufficient supply here the Board would be setting a dangerous precedent if they allowed the application. No fixed water-closets should be granted for an house within a very few feet above the level of the sea.

Hon. Mr. Pollock seconded.

On a division, this motion was defeated by 5 to 3.

The application was granted.

RAT RETURN.

The rat return showed that during the two weeks ended 5th inst. 595 rats were destroyed; of these 8 were found to be infected with plague.

There was no other important business before the meeting.

only of houses near where a plague rat has been found. At present the inspectors offer disinfection to the tenants where an infected rat has been found, or will give them disinfectants for their own use if they wish. The question of what is to be the policy of the Board in this matter is an important one, and should, I think, be decided very soon by the Board."

The President:—"There can be no doubt that most of the rats caught before August, when a bonus was given for each rat, were introduced to the Colony. The best plan, I think, will be to have the rat-runs treated with carbolic acid and filled in, and for the inspectors to persuade the people to cleanse and disinfect the houses in which plague rats are found."

Mr. Fung Wa Chun:—"I quite agree with the A.M.O.H. that the people would naturally allow the rats to be caught, even if cages were put in their houses, lest their houses be upset by the disinfecting gongs. The best policy of the Board is to offer the cleansing to the tenants with disinfectants supplied free of charge. In that case we may hope that the destruction of rats may be done effectively."

Mr. Lau Chu Pak:—"Past experience does not show that disinfection can successfully prevent infection. But as the M.O.H. advises that it should be kept on, I am in favour of giving permission to the people to carry it out themselves, the Sanitary Board to supply the requisite disinfectants free of charge. If the people are subjected to the same hardship and annoyance as they used to be they cannot be blamed for refusing to help in destroying rats on their premises."

Colonel Webb:—"I think the suggestion of the Hon. P.C.M.O. should be carried out."

Mr. Rumball:—"The present system of compelling owners of property to fill up rat-runs should be changed. The owners ought to be made to do it; thereby the destruction of rats would be carried out more expeditiously."

Mr. Hewett:—"If the suggestion is acted upon someone must see that the people properly disinfect their own premises."

The P.M. DENT said this rat problem seemed to be a very serious one. During last summer they had come to the conclusion that not we were being introduced into the Colony for the sake of the bonus. Accordingly the Board altered their system and employed a much smaller staff thinking they might be able to get more rats out of the houses. They were right in that supposition because more had been got than formerly. The question was what steps should be taken in regard to those houses in which rats were found. Prof. Dr. Simpson recommended in his memorandum that not only the house in which a plague-infected rat was found but also the three houses on each should be similarly dealt with.

Winter was the time to attack these pests, and it seemed to them a suitable time to bring this matter up.

They might adopt some plan as that, in every house in which a plague-infected rat is found the inspector should attend and fill in rat-runs with carbolic acid and give the people the option for a week of cleansing the premises themselves, the Board supplying the necessary disinfectants. If at the end of that time it was found that this had not been done then the Board must take the matter in hand and deal with it themselves.

There was another question, and that was the adoption of a system of destruction of rats by producing epidemic amongst them, which was also recommended by Prof. Dr. Simpson. Dr. Barnett would be able to tell them that this system had been used in London.

Dr. Barnett stated that such measures were adopted when the Strand was being pulled down and the rats invaded the bar of the Gailey Theatre to such an extent that the barmaids could hardly stand it (laughed); the rats ate all the food that was left on the counters.

The President suggested that they utilise both methods, recommending the Government to require the Bacteriologist to prepare a certain quantity of this rat-infesting bacilli for distribution amongst the inspectors; also that the measures he had recommended should be taken with regard to the Chinese either cleansing their houses or the Sanitary Board taking the matter in hand.

Hon. Mr. Pollock asked if this bacillus affected rats only?

The President replied that it did not affect either men, or domestic animals.

Mr. Hewett asked if there would not be a nuisance caused by dead rats lying about?

The President replied that any nuisance of that kind would be slight; the dead carcasses would soon dry up.

The Vice-President seconded. This concession, he said, was as great as could possibly be made in the matter. If they conceded so much the people ought to meet them and render a better action unnecessary.

The motion was agreed to.

THE DEPOSITING OF RUBRISH DURING STORMY WEATHER.

Further correspondence was submitted relative to suggested sites for the depositing of rubbish, etc., during stormy weather.

The D.P.W. intimated that, as he had already stated, he was not aware of any available suitable site in the Western District of the City, with the exception of the recently reclaimed areas west of Cadogan Street, Kennedytown. In Kowloon he would suggest sites on the reclaimed areas a little to the south of the Police Station at Yau Ma Tei and to the west of Gillies Avenue at Hung Hom; both of these would be of a purely temporary nature.

Mr. E. A. Hewett:—"A site at the western end of the town is to my mind impulsive, and if the Government have no such site available one should be purchased or reclaimed."

The President moved that the Government be recommended to authorise the use of these areas of land, as defined, for this purpose.

Hon. Mr. Pollock seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

AN APPLICATION.

There was laid on the table further correspondence relative to the application for permission to erect a trough close on Inland Lot No. 163.

Mr. Hewett submitted that it was imperative there be a sufficient, continuous flow of water to keep the pipes of this proposed trough absolutely clear from the low down to the sea, and as there was not a sufficient supply here the Board would be setting a dangerous precedent if they allowed the application. No fixed water-closets should be granted for an house within a very few feet above the level of the sea.

Hon. Mr. Pollock seconded.

On a division, this motion was defeated by 5 to 3.

The application was granted.

RAT RETURN.

The rat return showed that during the two weeks ended 5th inst. 595 rats were destroyed; of these 8 were found to be infected with plague.

There was no other important business before the meeting.

The motion was then put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

## UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

In the Society's offices, 1, Queen's Building, at noon yesterday, the thirteenth ordinary meeting of shareholders was held. Mr. A. G. Wood (Chairman) presided, and there were also present Messrs. N. A. Siebs, H. W. Sader, E. S. Wheeler, and C. A. Tome (directors); W. J. Saunders (secretary), Hon. Goshom Stewart, Messrs. Abner, C. E. Beavis, H. J. M. Carvalho, J. A. Carvalho, F. D. Goddard, F. B. Hott, H. R. Hunter, G. Molchers, J. R. Michael, H. M. B. Nemazie, C. H. Rogge, A. B. Rouse, H. W. D. Schmidt, E. V. M. R. Sanza, R. C. Wilcox, and G. Winterburn.

The SECRETARY having read the notice calling the meeting,

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen,—

The report has been in your hands for nearly three weeks, and with your permission, I will take it as read. The figures we have to lay before you are, we consider, very satisfactory. They compare favourably in every particular with the figures contained in last year's report, and as the rate of exchange taken for the 30th June 1903 is the same as that taken for the 30th June 1902 the comparison is a fair one and not upset by exchange. The result of working for the year 1902 shows a balance of \$968,

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Hongkong, 9th October, 1903. [2325]

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Hongkong, 9th October, 1903. [2324]

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

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on the 12th of OCTOBER, 1903, at a morning

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By Command, F. H. MAY,

Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary’s Office.

Hongkong, 29th September, 1903. [2326]

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Hongkong, 22nd SEPTEMBER, 1903. [117-1]

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Hongkong, 16th September, 1903. [2759]

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Hongkong, 9th October, 1903. [2325]

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THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICES of the Undersigned at 12 o’clock (Noon) on THURSDAY, the 22nd OCTOBER.

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Hongkong, 26th September, 1903. [2711]

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Hongkong, 18th May, 1903. [101]

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Hongkong, 23rd September, 1903. [2473]

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Hongkong, 16th May, 1892. [28]

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Hongkong, 2nd April, 1900. [25]

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Hongkong, 17th August, 1887. [25]

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Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [113]

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TILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1902.

216,378.771.

L. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL... 23,000,000 0 0  
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL... 2,750,000 0 0  
PAID-UP CAPITAL... 687,500 0 0  
II. FIRE FUNDS... 2,867,315 14 1

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Hongkong, 19th June, 1903. [1888]

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Hongkong, 30th July, 1903. [2180]

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Hongkong, 26th September, 1903. [1289]

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Hongkong, 4th September, 1903. [2473]

YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LTD.

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the Yokohama Specie Bank, Ltd. (Yokohama  
Shokin Ginko), presented to the shareholders at  
the half-yearly ordinary general meeting, held  
at the head office, Yokohama, on the 10th  
September:

The gross profits of the bank for the past  
half-year, including yen 508,862.074 brought  
forward from last Accounts, amount to yen  
6,261,342.711, of which yen 4,639,889.160 have  
been deducted for current expenses, interests,  
etc., leaving a balance of yen 1,925,245.551.

The directors now propose that yen 10,000.000  
be added to the reserve fund, raising it to  
yen 9,210,000.000, and that yen 200,000 be put  
aside as special reserve to provide for the  
depreciation of the silver funds. From the  
remainder the directors recommend a dividend  
at the rate of twelve per cent. per annum, which  
will absorb yen 720,000.000 on old shares  
and yen 360,000.000 in new shares, making a  
total of 1,080,000,000 yen.

The balance, yen 555,245.551, will be carried  
forward to the credit of next account.

NAGATANE SAMA,  
Chairman.

Head Office, Yokohama, 10th September, 1903.

The accounts are as follows—

BALANCE-SHEET, 30th June, 1903.

LIABILITIES. Yen

Capital paid up... 18,000,000,000

Reserve fund... 9,000,000,000

Reserve for doubtful debts... 320,000,000

Reserve for depreciation of banks pre-  
ferred, properties, furniture, etc... 612,200,700

Reserve for silver funds... 200,000,000

Bills payable, bills re-discounted, ac-  
ceptances, and other sums due by  
the bank... 58,822,597.824

Dividends unclaimed... 5,457.020

Amount brought forward from last ac-  
count... 505,822,071

Net profit for the past half-year... 1,925,245.551

Yen 167,127,876.324

ASSETS. Yen

Cash account... 14,323,342.820

At bankers... 707,325,800 7,000,000,000

Investments in public institutions... 25,724,753.520

Bills receivable, loans, advances, &c. 16,227,214.250

Bills receivable and other sums due to  
the bank... 83,676,030.194

Bullion, properties, furniture, &c. 100,925,100

Bank's promises, properties, furniture,  
&c. 1,429,463.140

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

Oct. 8, BORNEO, German str., 1,246. E. Mable, Sandakan, 3rd st., Timber and General Merchandise & Co.  
Oct. 8, HALDIS, German str., 1,65. Jensen, Singapore 1st Oct., General CHINESE.  
Oct. 8, HONGKONG, French str., 750. H. Suzuki, Haiphong and Hollow 7th Oct., General A. R. MATH.  
Oct. 8, INDAVELLI, British str., 3,152. R. P. Craven, Portland (Or) 4th Inst., General P. & A. S. S. CO.  
Oct. 8, MONOKUT, German str., 896. Gotch, Bangkok 1st October, Rice and Wood—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.  
Oct. 8, TAIWAN, British str., 1,160. H. Harder, Shanghai, Amoy and Swatow 2nd Oct., General BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

## CLEARANCES.

AT THE HONGKONG MACKER'S OFFICE.  
8th October.  
An Pho, British str., for Swatow.  
Choua, German str., for Swatow.  
Mouonthi, British str., for Shanghai.  
Sado Maru, Japanese str., for Yokohama.

## DEPARTURES.

8th October.  
CHOWTAI, German str., for Bangkok.  
HAILOONG, British str., for Swatow.  
INDRAMAYA, British str., for Shanghai.  
KOWLOON, German str., for Canton.  
LOONGMOON, German str., for Canton.  
MEFOO, Chinese str., for Canton.  
TAWAN, British str., for Canton.  
THEMIS, Norwegian str., for Seigou.

## VESSELS IN DOCK.

8th October.  
ABERDEEN DOCKS.—KOWLOON DOCKS.—Pembrokeshire, Tailor.  
Mercedes, Lübeck, Else.  
CO-MOPOLITAN DOCK.—Nanyang.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Taiwan*, from Shanghai via Amoy and Swatow 2nd Oct., had strong N.E. monsoon gale and heavy sea to Amoy; then variable winds with heavy rain squalls. Small typhoon passed over near Amoy, 12 ships anchored in the outer harbour, Monday night.

The British steamer *Indamaya*, from Portland (Or) 4th Sept., had strong N.E. wind rough following sea, fine and clear weather from Moji to Hieshien. From Hieshien to Tamsui light easterly wind, heavy S.E. swell, fine and clear. From Tamsui to port light variable winds, smooth sea, fine and clear.

The German steamer *Borneo*, from Sandakan 3rd Oct., at 6 p.m., had strong S.W. and W. winds with heavy rain squalls and a very irregular sea in the Sulu Sea. In the China Sea from 11° to 16° N., had moderate S.W. wind, heavy rain squalls and N.E. swell; from there to port light S.E. and N.E. winds, smooth water.

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

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"LOTHIAN." Captain J. C. Williamson, will be despatched for the above ports TO-DAY, the 9th inst., at NOON.

For Freight, apply at Company's Offices, No. 20, Des Voeux Road.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 6th October, 1903.

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"MONMOUTHSHIRE." Captain H. N. Vyvyan, will be despatched for the above ports TO-DAY, the 9th inst., at NOON.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for passengers.

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Hongkong, 9th October, 1903.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamer

"YAWATA MARU."

3,817 Tons, Captain A. E. Moses, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 9th inst., at 4 p.m.

This well-known Steamer is specially constructed for service in the Tropics, and is provided with superior accommodation and with all modern fittings and improvements for the safety and comfort of Passengers. Electric Light and Refrigerator. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

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Hongkong, 2nd October, 1903.

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FOR MANILA.

THE Steamer

"GUTHRIE."

Captain Dabell, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 10th inst., at 4 p.m.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

For Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

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## VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAMES	FLAG	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLIED TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	SIMLA	Brit. str.	C. D. Goldsmith	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow. Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	BORNEO	Brit. str.	G. W. Gordon	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 17th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	TANTALUS	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	16th Nov.
LONDON & ANTWERP	POLYphemus	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	24th Nov.
LIVERPOOL	IDIOMENUS	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	13th inst.
LIVERPOOL	ACHILLES	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	15th Dec.
LIVERPOOL	AGAMEMNON	Brit. str.	H. Nish	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	17th inst. Daylight.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	HITACHI MARU	Jap. str.	J. Campbell	MESSENGERS MARITIMES	20th inst. at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & V. STORE & CO.	PAR LIN	Brit. str.	J. B. MacMillan	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	27th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & V. STORE & CO.	WAKASA MARU	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	31st inst. Daylight.
MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	NINGCHOW	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	10th Nov.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ANTENOR	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	22nd Dec.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	PROMETHEUS	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	5th Jan.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	DARDANUS	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	14th inst. at Noon.
MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	SEYDLITZ	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	3rd November.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	BRISGAVIA	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th November.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SAXONIA	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	1st December.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	MARBURG	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SUEVIA	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	About 10th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	F. FERDINAND	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHIMOGA	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	21st November.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	NDOKYU	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	26th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	E. OF CHINA	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	13th inst. at 5 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ATHENIAN	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ROJOMIN MARU	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	To-morrow, 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ONATA	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	26th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	INDAVELLI	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	13th inst. at 5 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	YAWATA MARU	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	To-day, at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	GUTHRIE	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	23rd inst. D'light.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	TAITUAN	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ARTEMISIA	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	11th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	LOTHIAN	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	BONBAY MARU	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	21st inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	KAWACHI M.	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	TSINGTAU (DIRECT)	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	MOJI, KOBE, YAMA AC. & SAN FRANCISCO	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	KOBE & YOKOHAMA	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	DAHLBERG	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	NANCHANG	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	M. MOUTHSHIRE	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	WUHS	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	MALTA	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	TAIWAN	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	DAIGI MARU	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	MAIDZURU MARU	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ANPING	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	FOOCHOW	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	AMOY & MANILA	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	AMOY, SAMARANG & SURABAYA	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	MANILA	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	TALES	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	WATAN	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	DAIGI MARU	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHIANGHAI	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	17th inst.
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## OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PRIAM" .....	On 13th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"POLYPHEMUS" .....	On 17th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR" .....	On 24th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OANFA" .....	On 31st October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ULYSSES" .....	On 7th November.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES" .....	On 14th November.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PROMETHEUS" .....	On 21st November.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS" .....	On 30th November.

## HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"AGAMEMNON" .....	On 13th October.
LIVERPOOL	"IDOMENEUS" .....	On 13th October.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PAK LING" .....	On 27th October.
MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"NINGCHOW" .....	On 10th November.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"TANTALUS" .....	On 10th November.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"POLYPHEMUS" .....	On 24th November.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ANTENOR" .....	On 8th December.
LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES" .....	On 15th December.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PROMETHEUS" .....	On 22nd December.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"DARDANUS" .....	On 5th January.

## TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"OANFA" .....	On 2nd November.
THE a.m. "IDOMENEUS" left Shanghai on the 9th inst., for this port via Amoy.	"PELEUS" .....	On 2nd December.

For Freight, apply to—

BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE, AGENTS.

Hongkong, 9th October, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO.  
LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"WUHU" .....	On 10th October.
AMOY and MANILA	"KAI FONG" .....	On 12th October.
ILOILO	"WUCHANG" .....	On 13th October.
SHANGHAI	"TAIWAN" .....	On 13th October.
AMOY SAMARANG and SOURLABAYA	"SHANTUNG" .....	On 17th October.
MANILA	"SUNGKLIANG" .....	On 21st October.
CHIPOO and TIENTSIN	"NANCHANG" .....	On 24th October.
MANILA	"TAIYUAN" .....	On 26th October.
PORT DARWIN (THURSDAY)	"TAIYUAN" .....	On 26th October.
ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"TSINAN" .....	On 27th October.
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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL  
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI, KOE and YOKOHAMA	MALTA O. L. W. Field .....	About 9th October	Mail Steamer.
LONDON, &c.	SIMLA C. D. Goldsmith, R.N.R. .....	Noon, 10th October	See Special Advertisement.
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, MAZAGAN and BOMBAY	W. H. S. Hall .....	About 16th October	Freight only.
LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSELLES	BOERNEO G. W. Gordon, R.N.R. .....	About 17th October	Freight and Passage.

Calling at Peing if sufficient inducement offers.

For further particulars, apply to—

E. A. BEWETT,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 9th October, 1903.

## NIIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY).

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
YAWATA MARU	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	FRIDAY, 9th Oct., at 4 P.M.
A. E. Moses	MARSELLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	SATURDAY, 17th Oct., at DAYLIGHT.
HITACHI MARU	VICTORIA, BC. and SEATTLE, U.S.A., via SHANGHAI, KOE and YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 20th Oct., at 4 P.M.
H. F. Tress	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 23rd Oct., at DAYLIGHT.
BOMBAY MARU	MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 30th Oct., at NOON.
T. Murai	MARSELLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	SATURDAY, 31st Oct., at DAYLIGHT.
WAKASA MARU		

Through Passengers' Tickets issued to the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers. Round-the-World Tickets also issued. Between Moji and Kobe, 1st and 2nd Class through passengers have the option of travelling by the Sanjo Railway.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &amp;c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office's Prince's Building First Floor, Chater Road.

Apply—

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"INDRAVELLIS" .....	4,899	R. P. Craven .....	October 14, 1903
"INDRAPURU" .....	4,899	A. E. Hollingsworth .....	November 14, 1903
"INDRASAMHA" .....	5,197	W. E. Craven .....	December 14, 1903

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Points. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

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Hongkong, 16th September, 1903.

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## CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

## "CALCHAS"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where in both cases it will lie at Consignee's risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 3rd instant.

Optional Cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 9th inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 16th inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 12th inst., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 5th October, 1903.

[1902-12]

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, LONDON and ANTWERP, THE Steamer

## "MONMOUTHSHIRE"

Captain H. N. Vyvyan, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where in both cases it will lie at Consignee's risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 3rd instant.

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## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, COLOMBO and SINGAPORE, THE Company's Steamer

## "SADO MARU"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Parcel Mails for Europe, &c., per a.s. *Finla*, will close at 3 p.m. to-day. The *Malta*, with the English Mail of the 11th ult., left Singapore on Sunday, the 4th inst., and may be expected here to-day. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 11th August.

The *Gaelic*, with the American Mail of the 11th ult., left Shanghai on Wednesday, the 7th inst., at 10 a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow.

## MAILS WILL CLOSE.

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## DATE

Swatow, Singapuro and Bangkok	Friday,	9th, 8.00 A.M.
Canton	Friday,	9th, 9.30 A.M.
Monmouthshire	Friday,	9th, 11.00 A.M.
Lothian	Friday,	9th, 11.00 A.M.
Mucham	Friday,	9th, 11.00 A.M.
Wenhsien	Friday,	9th, 1.15 P.M.
Tungkong	Friday,	9th, 3.00 P.M.
Yawata Maru	Friday,	9th, 3.00 P.M.
Yikhang	Friday,	9th, 5.00 P.M.
Tai Chin	Friday,	9th, 5.00 P.M.
Hoi Fu	Friday,	9th, 5.00 P.M.
Wingchau	Friday,	9th, 5.00 P.M.
Fatshan	Saturday,	10th, 9.00 A.M.
Zifiro	Saturday,	10th, 9.30 A.M.
Hongkong	Saturday,	10th, 10.00 A.M.
Rosetta Maru	Saturday,	10th, 10.00 A.M.
Victoria	Saturday,	10th, 10.00 A.M.
Huengshan	Saturday,	10th, 1.15 P.M.
Marie Jansen	Saturday,	10th, 2.00 P.M.
Wulu	Saturday,	10th, 3.00 P.M.
Guthrie	Saturday,	10th, 3.00 P.M.
Thales	Saturday,	10th, 5.00 P.M.
Tai Chin	Saturday,	10th, 5.00 P.M.
Hoi Fa	Saturday,	10th, 5.00 P.M.
Wingchau	Saturday,	10th, 5.00 P.M.
Sulliv	Sunday,	11th, 9.00 A.M.
Ponan	Sunday,	11th, 9.00 A.M.
Tai Chin	Sunday,	11th, 9.00 A.M.
Hoi Fu	Sunday,	11th, 9.00 A.M.
Wingchau	Sunday,	11th, 9.00 A.M.
Tungkong	Sunday,	11th, 9.00 A.M.

## TO-DAY.

Sale, Wines, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 11 a.m.

## TO-MORROW.

Sale, Japanese Curios, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 2.30 p.m.

Sale, Miscellaneous, Sales Rooms, Mr. V. J. Remedios, 2.30 p.m.

Victoria Variety Club's Concert, St. Patrick's Hall, 8.30 p.m.

## COMMERCIAL.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

8th October.

ON LONDON.— Telegraphic Transfer ..... 1/104  
Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1/104  
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight ..... 1/104  
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight ..... 1/104  
Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 1/104  
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight ..... 1/104

ON PARIS.— Bank Bills, on demand ..... 234  
Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 2374

ON GENEVA.— On demand ..... 1894

ON NEW YORK.— Bank Bills, on demand ..... 454  
Credits, 60 days' sight ..... 46

ON MONTREAL.— Telegraphic Transfer ..... 1383  
Bank, on demand ..... 1384

ON CALCUTTA.— Telegraphic Transfer ..... 1383  
Bank, on demand ..... 1384

ON SHANGHAI.— Bank, at sight ..... 72  
Private, 30 days' sight ..... 72

ON YOKOHAMA.— On demand ..... 891

ON MANILA.— On demand ..... Nominal

ON SINGAPORE.— On demand ..... Nominal

ON BATAVIA.— On demand ..... 112

ON HAIKONG.— On demand ..... 11 p.c. p.m.

ON SAIGON.— On demand ..... 11 p.c. p.m.

\* BANGKOK.— On demand ..... 61

OVERSEAS, Bank's Buying Rate ..... \$10.95

GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael ..... \$17.90

\* THE SILVER, per oz. ..... 27 1/2

## OPIUM.

8th October. Quotations are— Allow 10c. net to 1 catty.

Malwa New ..... \$70 to — per picoul

Malwa Old ..... \$160 to —

Malwa Older ..... \$160 to —

Persian fine quality ..... \$850 to —

Persian extra fine ..... \$340 to —

Patna New ..... \$100 to — per chest.

Patna Old ..... \$100 to —

Banaras New ..... \$100 to —

Banaras Old ..... \$100 to —

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL. The P. & O. steamer *Malta* left Singapore for this port on the 4th inst., at 10 a.m., and is due here to-day, at about noon.

THE AMERICAN MAIL. The O. & O. steamer *Gaelic* left Shanghai for this port on the 7th inst., at 10 a.m.

The T.K.K. steamer *Hongkong Maru* leaves Yokohama for this port, via Inland Sea, &c., on the 9th inst.

THE GERMAN MAIL. The Imperial German mail steamer *Seydlitz* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 4th inst., and may be expected here on the 13th inst.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Preussen* left Colombo on the 3rd inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 13th inst.

THE INDIAN MAIL. The steamer *Lightning* left Singapore for this port on the 6th inst., p.m.

The Indo-China steamer *Kumsang* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits, on the 4th inst., and may be expected here on the 20th inst.

THE CHINESE MAIL. The C.N. steamer *Kaijung* left Manila for this port on the 7th inst., and is expected here to-morrow, at daylight.

The P. & O. steamer *Baner* left Singapore for this port on the 5th inst., at 4 p.m.

The N.Y.K. steamer *Yojin Maru* (American Line) left Tokyo for this port on the 7th inst., and is expected here on the 11th inst.

The C.N. steamer *Taiwan*, from Australian Ports and Metals, left Port Darwin on the 1st inst., and is due here on the 12th inst.

The H.A.L. steamer *Artemisia*, from Ham-

burg, left Singapore for this port on the 7th inst., and may be expected here on the 12th inst., at daylight.

The O.S.S. steamer *Idomenes* left Shanghai on the 8th inst., p.m., for this port via Amoy.

## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 6th October.

COMPANY	PAID UP	QUOTATIONS
Banks—Hongkong & Shif.	\$125	\$635, sellers London £245.
Nati. Bank of China	23	\$28, buyers
A. Shares	23	\$28, buyers
B. Shares	21	\$10
Four Shares	21	\$10
Bell's Asbestos E. A.	21	\$6, sellers
Campbell, Moore & Co.	21	\$40, sellers
China Co., Ltd.	21	\$10, buyers
China Light and Power Co., Ltd.	21	\$10, buyers
China Prov. & M.	21	\$10, buyers
China Sugar	21	\$10, sellers
Cigar Companies	21	\$10, \$97.
Ashkamra, Ltd.	21	\$100, \$250, buyers
Autumn Mills	21	\$10, \$18, sellers
Ewe Mills	21	\$10, 12, 22, sellers
International	21	\$75, 10, 40, sellers
Levi's Rivington	21	\$10, 10, 40.
Soychay	21	\$10, 10.
Hongkong	21	\$10, \$14, buyers
Dairy Farm	21	\$10, \$13.
Forwick & Co.	21	\$10, \$22, buyers
H. & W. B. B.	21	\$10, \$14, buyers
Wongkong & Co.	21	\$10, \$12, 20, sellers
Hongkong Electric	21	\$10, 7, sellers
H. H. L. Tramways	21	\$10, \$20, sellers
Hongkong Water	21	\$10, 15, buyers
Post Co., Ltd.	21	\$50, \$147, buyers
Hongkong Hotel	21	\$25, \$200, sellers
H. & W. Wharf & G.	21	\$50, \$17, buyers
Hongkong Boys	21	\$50, \$145, sellers
H. & W. Doek	21	\$50, \$16, sellers
Insurance	21	\$50, \$100, sellers
Canton	21	\$50, \$50, buyers
China Traders	21	\$50, \$61, buyers
Hongkong Fire	21	\$50, \$120, sellers & sel.
North China Straits	21	\$50, \$12, sellers
Union	21	\$50, \$10, buyers
Yangtze	21	\$50, \$13.
Land and Building	21	\$100, \$158.
Hongkong Land	21	\$100, \$109, buyers
Humphrys Estate	21	\$50, \$35, sales
Kowloon Land & B.	21	\$50, \$50.
West Point Building	21	\$50, \$10.
Luzon Sugar	21	\$50, \$16, buyers
Malwa Invest. Co., Ltd.	21	\$50, \$16, buyers
Charbonnages	21	Fus. 250, \$600, sellers
Juteb	21	\$50, \$13, sellers
Punjab	21	\$11, \$15, sales
De. Preference	21	\$10, \$10.
Raubs	21	131, \$137.
New Auncy Dock	21	\$50, \$68, sellers
Oriente Hotel, Manila	21	\$50, \$88, buyers
Powell, Ltd.	21	\$50, \$60.
Robinson Piano Co., Ltd.	21	\$50, \$60.
Steamship Cos.—	21	\$50, \$11, sellers
China and Manilla	21	\$50, \$12, sellers
Douglas Steamship	21	\$50, \$20, ex div. sellers
H. & Canton and M.	21	\$50, \$21, sellers
Indo-China S. N.	21	\$50, \$182.
Sea & Transporta. & Training Co.—	21	\$1, \$12, 20.
Star Ferry	21	\$10, \$26, sellers
S.C.F. Boyd & Co., Ltd.	21	Tls. 100, \$10, buyers
S. & H. Dyeing & C.	21	\$50, \$50, nominal
C. Co., Ltd.	21	\$50, \$50.
Tealor Painting Co.	21	\$5, nominal
United Asbestos	21	\$10, \$200.
Do. ....	21	\$20, \$22, buyers
Universal Trading	21	\$10, \$5, buyers
Watkins, Ltd.	21	\$10, \$14, buyers
Watson & Co., A.S.	21	\$10, \$14, buyers
VERNON & SMYTH, Brokers.	21	\$10, \$14, buyers

## TO LET.

Hongkong, 6th October.

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